

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times is a free, Chinese language  
3 newspaper, published locally and distributed worldwide; and

4 WHEREAS, Tuesday, November 11, 2003 marked the third  
5 anniversary of the Midwest edition of The Epoch Times; and

6 WHEREAS, On this anniversary, The Epoch Times added a  
7 Tuesday edition that focuses primarily on Chicago and  
8 Illinois; and

9 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times serves the City of Chicago, the  
10 State of Illinois, and the Midwest, distributing 23,000  
11 copies weekly; and

12 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times is expanding globally to 30  
13 countries with a world-wide circulation of about 700,000; and

14 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times provides independent, objective  
15 news coverage to the Chinese language communities; and

16 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times unequivocally supports human  
17 rights, freedom of speech, freedom of belief, rule of law,  
18 and democracy; and

19 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times holds itself to the strictest  
20 ethical principles; and

21 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times promotes mutual understanding  
22 among peoples by explaining the achievements and customs of  
23 cultures of both the west and the east in a sympathetic and  
24 informed manner; and

25 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times helps its readers appreciate  
26 what is best in the United States while at the same time  
27 coming to understand what is best in their own ancient  
28 culture; and

29 WHEREAS, The Epoch Times helps the Chinese community

1 integrate into the larger society by helping its readers gain  
2 an in-depth understanding of American life; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
5 we commend The Epoch Times for its service to Illinois and  
6 congratulate The Epoch Times on its third anniversary; and be  
7 it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
9 presented to The Epoch Times as an expression of our esteem.